Ban on Guide-Books

†3995. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to burden of education on students a psychic-like disease is spreading;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to radical increase in guide-books and guess question papers, students are lagging behind in getting knowledge; and

(c) if so, what measures Government are taking to ban such books and to attract students towards getting the complete knowledge?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SMT.) RITA VERMA] : (a) to (c) Education is in the concurrent list and School Education is the responsibility of the State Governments. However, NCERT has recommended for reduction in the burden in the National Curriculum Framework for School Education published in November 2000. Central Board of Secondary Education neither prescribes nor publishes any guide-books and guess-papers.

Zero Development Science Authority

†3996. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) Whether Government propose to establish a Zero Development Science Authority, as the right of using zero-based calculation method without using zero have been provided under the Copyright Act, 1999 through the Letter No. L-18402/99 dated the 24th June, 1999, so that world's precious heritage could be preserved; and

(b) If so, whether there is any proposal to include astrology and information technology under it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SMT.) RITA VERMA] : (a) No, Sir. The Copyright Office undertakes registration of copyrights in accordance with Section 45 of

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the Copyright Act, 1957, of different classes of works as defined under Section 13 of the Act. The particulars of the work eligible for registration are entered in the Register of Copyrights and relevant extracts of the same are sent to the applicant. The Copyright Office has entered particulars of a literary work titled "Y2K (Sankranti)" on the basis of an application under registration No. L-18402/99 dated 24.06.1999 in the name of Shri Shyam Singh Thakur of Bhopal and a copy of the entry in the Register has been furnished to the applicant. The idea contained in the literary work is not protected under the Copyright Act. It is the expression of an idea, which is protected under Copyright, and not the idea *per se*. In Fact, the acquisition of copyright by the creator of a work is automatic and simultaneous with the creation of the work and it does not need any legal formality of registration etc. The registration of copyright does not grant the copyright owner any rights whatsoever other than what is already conferred under the Copyright Act. The Copyright Office is only a registry and the question of setting up any authority base on registration of the said work does not arise.

(b) Does not rise.

Relaxation of Rules for Transfer of KV Teachers

3997. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that during the preceding three academic sessions, a good number of transfers of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas had been ordered in relaxation/violation of transfer guidelines by the Commissioner, with prior approval/clearance of KVS Chairman;

(b) if so, the details of vidyalayas, teacher-category and transfer guidelines clause relaxed/violated; and

(c) what has been the 'compassion' in each of the cases ordered thus?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SMT.) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (c) The transfer guidelines provide for relaxation by the Commissioner, KVS with the prior approval of the Chairman, KVS. 156 such transfers of teaching staff were affected as per statement annexed during the said period. (*See* below) Each case has its separate merit.